

BROOKLYN NEWS.

WILLIAM TO DECIDE.

To Licensees for Coney Islanders Without His Approval.

All Expire To-Day and the Dive-keepers Apply for Renewals.

Burlesque Enforcement of the Excise and Concert Laws Yesterday.

Mayor Schieren, of Brooklyn, launched another order on the wave of reform sweeping over Coney Island this morning which may be considered the beginning of the end for some of the dive-keepers at the West End.

The Mayor sent word to the Excise Commissioners that no license should be granted for saloons on Coney Island without his consent. The Mayor said he proposed to investigate each application before granting a license.

The licenses of the 250 saloons on the island expire today, and as a consequence the Excise Department was crowded with saloon-keepers anxious to renew their licenses for saloons at West Brighton.

Among the first callers this morning was Nicholas J. Johnson, the Gravesender who recently served thirty days in Raymond Street Jail and paid a fine of \$50 for helping John Y. McKane defy the election laws last November.

Each of the applicants was given a petition, which is to be signed by fifteen property-owners in the neighborhood of the saloon, before a license will be granted.

Mayor Schieren this morning received a letter from James J. Leach, of Coney Island, signing himself "A Citizen," and requesting that no license be granted to certain saloons at the West End, which the writer says, have been in existence for years.

Inspector William J. McKelvey was closeted with Superintendent of Police Campbell this morning, making a verbal report on the success of the Brooklyn police in compelling Coney Islanders to observe the Sunday laws.

The Inspector stated that the police at West Brighton, and stated this morning that he was perfectly satisfied with the way the proprietors of the dive, concert halls, etc., conducted their establishments.

In one instance, the Inspector said, the orders issued by the Excise Department were completely disregarded. It was made by the Brooklyn police, notwithstanding the Inspector's satisfaction over the success of the police in compelling Coney Islanders to observe the Sunday laws.

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FLAMES DO \$52,000 DAMAGE.

Hopkins's Photographic Materials Factory Destroyed.

Firemen Have a Hard Fight to Save Adjoining Property.

Clarence E. Hopkins's photographic materials manufactory, on Fifty-third street, South Brooklyn, was almost totally destroyed by fire this morning, entailing a loss of about \$52,000.

The establishment was a three-story frame structure, occupying the lots at 257 and 259, and extending through the block to 352 Fifty-second street.

The upper part of the building was occupied by Knorr & Co., card manufacturers. The flames were discovered at 3 o'clock by a policeman who was passing on the opposite side of the street. He ran to the nearest firehook and sent an alarm.

In the building was stored paper and chemicals, and other substances of an inflammable character, and the fire spread so rapidly that the entire building was ablaze before the firemen arrived.

Several extra ladders, and in a short time a dozen engines were pumping water upon the fire. In spite of the efforts to extinguish the blaze, the flames spread to adjoining buildings and threatened the destruction of other property in the neighborhood.

The firemen got the fire under control, and by 5 o'clock it was entirely extinguished. The cause of the fire is unknown.

Hopkins, who owned the building where the fire originated, estimates his loss at \$52,000. The structure and contents on stock, Knorr & Co. lost \$3,000. A building at 303 Fifty-third street, owned by John McKinney, was damaged \$1,000, and another structure owned by Mr. Hopkins was damaged \$500 worth.

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LOHMAN SENTENCED.

Seven Years and Four Months in State Prison.

Stole \$19,400 of the Excise Funds of Brooklyn.

Brought Back from Canada and Pleaded Guilty.

William D. Lohman, formerly cashier of the Excise Board in Brooklyn, who pleaded guilty to embezzling certain funds, was sentenced by Judge Moore in the Court of Sessions today, to seven years and four months in State prison.

Lohman was accused of stealing \$19,400. There were three indictments found against him. He pleaded guilty to two of them, each of which charged him with stealing \$100.

At the opening of the proceedings today his lawyer, Thomas D. Fearless, made a strong plea for a light sentence. He reviewed the defendant's past record, which he said had been excellent, and said that he had been tempted to take the money to invest in automatic racing machines.

Lohman desired me to say right here," said Mr. Fearless, "that it is not true that any of his stealings went into the pockets of other city officials. Frank McCutcheon, former secretary of the Board of Excise, was interested in an automatic racing machine. They thought they could make a fortune in it in a few days. McCutcheon needed money to push the enterprise, and Lohman took it from the money under his care.

Some of the money, also went into the Grand Opera House. Lohman had spent nothing on himself. He and his wife had tried to buy a home on Douglas street, and agreed to pay \$4,000 for it. There was still due \$2,800.

At the conclusion of Mr. Fearless's address, Judge Moore pronounced sentence. He said: "We have heard this plea in your behalf from your counsel. Nevertheless, we must consider that you held a position of public trust, and that you betrayed that trust, and while this money and a great deal more.

On your plea of guilty to one indictment you are sentenced to Sing Sing for five years. On your plea of guilty to the second indictment you will serve two years and four months.

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ONLY TEN RESUMED WORK.

Paterson Ribbon-Weavers Still on Strike.

PATERSON, N. J., May 7.—The anticipated return of the striking ribbon-weavers to work this morning was not realized. All the factories were opened, but only ten of the 1,500 strikers went back to their looms—five at Levy Brothers', four at Bonford's and one at the Strickland mill.

Police and pickets were stationed at the mills, but no trouble took place. The strike held a mass-meeting at Paterson Island Park, and they displayed great enthusiasm over the failure of the business men and manufacturers to end the strike.

About six hundred broad-stick weavers returned to work this morning. They had been on strike for two weeks, and a compromise was effected. The twelve-hour day of the ribbon-weavers' strike began to-day.

President Strange has posted a notice that all strikers are discharged and can only obtain work by applying personally to the superintendent of the mills. As a result of this morning the strikers returned to work. The twelve-hour day of the ribbon-weavers' strike began to-day.

DR. KNIFFIN'S FATHER DEAD.

He Was Falling Mentally, and Killed Himself.

TRENTON, N. J., May 7.—William Kniffin, sixty-seven years old, committed suicide last night by shooting himself in the temple with a revolver.

Late in the evening Kniffin went into his carriage-house, and climbing into a wagon, took his life. His dead body was found by a neighbor.

Kniffin had been falling mentally for some months and returned home from Philadelphia and New York for his health. Coroner Flowers was called, and after viewing the remains, decided not to hold an inquest.

The deceased was the father of Dr. A. S. Kniffin, whose wife was found chloroformed to death about four years ago in her husband's home. The matter at the time created a great sensation.

CLUBBED A WOMAN.

Newark Special Policeman Arrested for Assault.

NEWARK, N. J., May 7.—John Sheridan, a special policeman, attached to the Van Buren street station, and who lives at 5 Joseph street, was arraigned before Justice Preisel this morning on the charge of assault and battery.

Mr. Sheridan beat his wife, and Mrs. Julia Smith, a neighbor, went into Sheridan's room and tried to pacify him. Mrs. Smith was removed to the head with his club, and she had to be removed to the city hospital. Her condition is critical.

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Woman Says She Will Sue Hopper and Spoil His Wife's Beauty.

Claims to Have Been His Common Law Wife for Eleven Years.

When George F. Hopper, treasurer of the Casino Company, stepped into the street this morning from the Hotel Vendôme, where he had passed his wedding night, he was pounced upon by a woman who had been waiting on the sidewalk for an hour. A hot colloquy ensued, ending by the woman thrusting a packet of letters into Hopper's hand and sailing angrily off down Broadway.

She was the woman who has announced her intention of suing Hopper for breach of promise, and who has been married to him for eleven years. She is now with Lillian Russell's company and will play this week in Philadelphia. The company left for that city at 10 o'clock this morning, and Miss Dressler will follow later in the day.

The maiden name of the common-law claimant was Bora Reinhardt. She was formerly a chorus girl, and is now a well-known actress. She was married to George Hopper, a variety artist, who died about five years ago. She says that he is dead, but Mr. Hopper asserts that he is alive and can be produced.

Hopper's relations with the woman extend over a period of eleven years. She says that he has always presented her as his wife, and that they have lived together as man and wife. She says that he recently induced her to give him \$1,000 for investment, but he declared that he gave her \$1,000 out of his pocket in exchange for her promise to let him alone.

When the woman encountered him this morning she hotly rebuffed him for deserting her, and swore that she would prosecute him for abandonment and take personal satisfaction out of Miss Dressler's case.

Miss Dressler, at the stage door, but was restrained by bystanders, and she has repeatedly threatened to take the actress or disfigure her with vitriol. She treated all these threats this morning, and left with the department that was going to put her case in the hands of an attorney. She gave Mr. Hopper, where he had passed his wedding night, he was pounced upon by a woman who had been waiting on the sidewalk for an hour. A hot colloquy ensued, ending by the woman thrusting a packet of letters into Hopper's hand and sailing angrily off down Broadway.

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